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THE TYPHOON IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Manila papers contain but meagre details of the damage done by the recent typhoon. The Tarlac, a steel ship of 567 tons, used by the Compania General de Tabacos de Filipinas in the inter island trade was wrecked on the 3rd September off Andin-Borongan Bay, Samar, and the entire town of Borongan was wiped off the map. Only five persons, however, lost their lives though the damage to the town is estimated at P200,000. A surveying party in charge of Messrs. Webster and Rush are said to have lost their lives at Sorogoon, Oatlingan, in Samar, suffered severely, though no lives were lost. Three hundred families were rendered homeless at Masbate. Two ships were driven ashore there and the wharves were destroyed. Hundreds of persons were without a roof to shelter them at Milagros after the storm had passed.

POLICE RECREATION CLUB.

The annual report of the Police Recreation Club states:—The club premises and gear pertaining to sport are in a good serviceable condition. The cricket, tennis, and bowling greens have received particular attention during the season, and are now in excellent condition. In the cricket league competition the club stood sixth in the list, having won eight matches, and lost eight. Mr. Edwards heads the batting average with 5.53. In second XI, cricket, four matches were played, and the club lost each one. In the second XI matches, Mr. Bell heads the batting average with 9.0, while Mr. Cooper heads the bowling with 5.60. Lawn bowls has been played with great keenness throughout the summer. The club had friendly matches with Kowloon Bowling Green Club, the Civil Service, and Cosmopolitan Docks, playing each club twice. Of the six matches played, we lost five and won one. The following competitions have been held:—The Warnock Cup, singles, won by Mr. Ogg, the runner up being Mr. Ritchie. The Gould Cup, which was not completed last year, was won by Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Cameron being the runner up. The "Jack Hight" up was won by Mr. Withers, "Mr. Woodhouse's prize" was won by Messrs. Goo, Watt and Withers, Messrs. Ogg and Robertson being the runners up. The shield competition is now being played off. Several open competitions have been played, and have proved of great interest. A club handicap single was played, Messrs. Malenon, Robertson, McFarley, and Ritchie being the prize winners respectively. (No tennis competition under the American system has been played off, and was won by Mr. Pitt, the runner up being Mr. Bell. Another competition under similar conditions is still uncompleted. The membership now stands at eighty one. The typhoon of the 28th July completely destroyed the old club house. Since then a new house has been erected, and being more commodious is more suitable for present requirements.

SHIPPING.

We hear that the Sunlight will be the first ship that will dock in the new dockyard of Messrs Butterfield and Swire. She goes in to-morrow.

The British steamer Pocahontas, of which Messrs. Watson & Co. are the owners, was sold yesterday to a Chinese ship-broker who bought the vessel for between sixteen and seventeen thousand dollars. It is understood that on transference the ship will be completely broken up. We are led to understand that a dock company estimated that it would cost the sum of Mexican dollars sixty-five thousand to make good the damage sustained by the vessel in the typhoon of last July, when she was driven ashore at Stonecreek. The vessel is said to be an excellent sea-going vessel, is nineteen years old, and has a registered tonnage of between sixteen and seventeen hundred tons.

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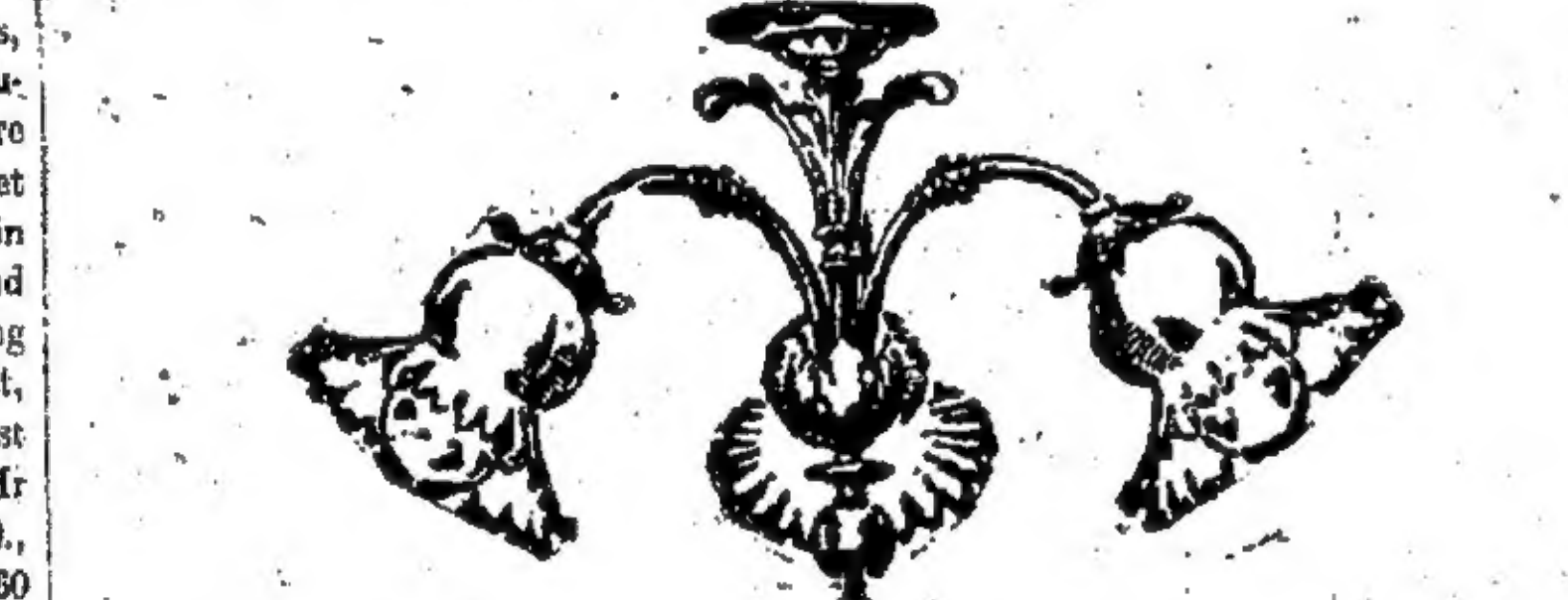
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Hongkong, August 3, 1908.

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NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of
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Hongkong, September 21, 1908.

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NEW SHIPS FOR THE NAVY.

Programmes and Progress of Construction.

During the next three or four months a
large number of new ships will be com-
pleted for the Royal Navy and will be
passed into service, including vessels laid
down under the programmes for 1904-5,
1905-6, and 1906-7. Under the earliest of
these programmes the battleship Lord
Nelson and the armoured cruiser Defence
are both preparing for their official trials.
The Lord Nelson was ordered from the
Palmer Company, at Jarrow-on-Tyne, in
November, 1904, and was begun in the
following May. She has run her con-
tractors' trials, in which she has succeeded
in reaching a speed of 19 knots—one knot
in excess of the designed speed—and she is
now being brought forward for her
acceptance trials. Her only sister ship,
the Agamemnon, was completed three
months ago, and is now serving in the
Nore Division of the Home Fleet.

It is a curious fact that in the First
Lord's statement explanatory of the
estimates it was said that the Lord Nelson
would be completed before the end of the
last financial year, no mention being made
of the Agamemnon. The Lord Nelson will
probably be commissioned at the end of
November, or in December, when she will
replace the Magnificent as flagship of the
Nore Battle Squadron.

The armoured cruiser Defence has been
even longer under construction than the
Lord Nelson, although she is about 2000
tons smaller. She was laid down at
Pembroke Dockyard in February, 1905,
and is now at Devonport preparing for her
trials. By the time she is ready for the
penultimate—probably not before January
next—she will have been under construc-
tion only a month less than four years. Her
two sister ships, the Minotaur and Shanon,
are both in the Fifth Cruiser
Squadron, the latter the flagship of the
rear-admiral in command. These cruisers
are noteworthy as forming the connecting
link between the old type of cruiser and
the new, in the same way that the Lord
Nelson marks the last stage in battleships
before the Dreadnought.

Of the three battleships of the 1906-7
programme, the Bellerophon, laid down at
Portsmouth in December, 1906, is prepar-
ing for her trials, which she will run in the
early part of October. She will be com-
pleted just within the limit of two years,
in accordance with the statement of policy
of 1905. The Temeraire, laid down at
Devonport in January, 1907, and the
Superb, begun at the Elswick works a
month later, are more doubtful, and it is
not likely that either will be ready for
commissioning until the early spring of
1909, or three years from the date when
they first appeared in the estimates. More
belated than these battleships, however,
are the cruisers Inflexible and Invincible
sister-ships of the Indomitable. Both of
these ships are being built by contract,
the Inflexible by Messrs. John Brown at
Clydebank, and the Invincible by
Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth, and Co.
at Elswick. They were laid down in
February and April, 1906, respectively,
so that their two-year limit is already con-
siderably exceeded. This of course, is
attributable largely to the labour troubles
with which the shipbuilders of the North
have had to contend. The Inflexible has
already run her contractors' trials, and is
reported to have equalled or to have
surpassed, the performance of the Indom-
itable by reaching a speed of close upon
20 knots. These two vessels will ultimately
join the Indomitable in the Nore Division,
to which also the Bellerophon, Temeraire,
and Superb will be attached when they
are completed.

The only other armoured ships now
under construction are the Collingwood,
the St. Vincent, and the Vanguard, of the
1907-8 programme. There have been de-
lays in the work on these ships. For
instance, the launch of the Collingwood at
Devonport, which was originally to have
taken place in September, has been post-
poned to November 7, when the ship will
be followed on the stocks by the armoured
cruiser which is to be built under the cur-
rent year's estimates. The St. Vincent is
to take the water at Portsmouth on Sep-
tember 10, the ceremony being performed
by Countess Beauchamp. The contract for
the Vanguard was not awarded to Messrs.
Vickers, Sons, and Maxim until early this
year, and it is unlikely that she will be
launched before December at the earliest.
The St. Vincent, by the way, will be
succeeded on the Portsmouth slip by the
battleship of the 1908-9 programme, the
name probably being Poudroyan.

This completes the number of armoured
ships now under construction. It is signifi-
cant that in the statement of policy of 1905
it was stated that, as four large armoured
ships would be laid down annually, and
each vessel would be completed in two
years, "there will be eight ships in course
of construction in any one year either in
the dockyards or by contract." In the
three years 1905-6, 1906-7, and 1907-8 the
number of ships provided for has been
only ten, and yet at the present moment
there are no fewer than ten armoured ships
in various stages of construction. Three
months ago the number was fourteen.
To the casual observer this would ap-
pear to be a more satisfactory state of
things than having only eight ships build-
ing; but it is, of course, distinctly the
opposite, being the result solely of the pro-
longed time required for construction. The
gradual increase may be seen from the

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Intimations.

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Hongkong, April 22, 1906.

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Intimations.

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QUEEN'S COLLEGE.
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Electricity,
Mechanics,
Physics.
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Physics.
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retary, or by Students last Ses-
sion will be distributed in Queen's College
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E. RAIPHS,
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Queen's College,
Hongkong, Sept. 30, 1908.

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MONDAY, October 1.—

1.30 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 3, Queen's Gardens.

Goods per Calcutta undelivered after this date at 4 p.m. will be subject to rent and landing charges.

TUESDAY, October 2.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property, at Mr. Geo. P. Lamont's Sales Room.

5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital, in St. John's Cathedral.

Goods per Renalder undelivered after this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, October 3.—

Goods per Delta not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

Goods per Wray Castle undelivered after this date subject to rent.

NOTICE.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1908.

THE CHALLENGED SUPREMACY OF CONFUCIUS.

A FEW evenings ago we published an article dealing with the supremacy of Confucius, and the attitude of a section of educated Chinese in regard thereto.

This question cannot but be a matter of great interest to thoughtful students of Chinese politics, for it is not too much to say that the ethics and the Governmental system of China are based upon, even if they are not at all times an embodiment of, the teaching of Confucius.

The vernacular newspaper to which we then drew attention has since returned to its criticism of the Sage, and has ventured to state, even more plainly, certain difficulties that stand in the way of regarding Confucius as anything more than a man of his time, albeit a good and wise one. It is assumed, says the essayist, that if Confucius were living to-day he would be among the very first to pursue his studies farther afield and take an interest in the many additions to knowledge, political, scientific and ethical, that have come to light during recent years, and especially that have come to the ears and eyes of the Chinese through Western hands. It is stated, for example, that if Confucius were living in the days of the Founder of Christianity, or in the days of the Founder of Buddhism, he would have taken measures to seek them out, and would either have been on good terms with them or would have opposed them. He would not, so to speak, have shut himself up in his own shell and ignored them. For good or evil he would have known them and their teachings, and

therefore the followers of the Sage should do the same. Though the limitations of his knowledge are emphatically maintained, said that too when compared with the teachers of other countries, it is specially stated that he did not and could not have known much that to-day is the common property of the educated classes in all lands. If this is so, then Confucius could not be the perfect Sage that he is supposed to be, for if he were that he would have mastered this knowledge. Indeed, he was far from being a perfect Sage even in his own day for he frequently inquired about things from those who were supposed to know more about them than he did himself. Readers of the Classics will know that this statement is perfectly true. Indeed, some references are quoted in the article with which we are dealing in order to make good the assertion. But the fact hardly needs to be labor for Chinese readers as they will readily recall instances which cannot be forgotten.

In one instance the argument seems a little unworthy of the dignity of the subject. The writer insists that in some matters even men are less well informed than birds and insects. For example, it is maintained that in forecasting the changes of the weather birds and insects are better able to foresee what is coming, and to take precautions for their own preservation, than is man. References are then made to the damage and loss of life by the ravages of typhoons in Hongkong from time to time. With all their knowledge men are sometimes caught napping; the results are calamitous. But birds and insects know what is coming and take the necessary precautions for their own preservation. So, too, CONFUCIUS knew immeasurably less than the modern educated mind. If then we are sometimes left behind by the birds and the insects, how much farther was CONFUCIUS outdistanced by them? CONFUCIUS is allowed to have had intuitive wisdom in a remarkable measure. But others have had that also. Since his day, however, teachers have been gifted, not only with intuitive wisdom, but with inherited acquired wisdom, and therefore they are in a much better position than he could ever have been. All this to a Westerner seems so obvious and commonplace that it hardly needs to be stated. But to the ideas of the orthodox Chinese it must seem rank heresy, and will strike some of them with horror. What then should be the attitude of the modern Chinese thinker and scholar towards the Sage? The iconoclastic essayist answers: "We should reverence him for what he is, and follow him where we are convinced he is worth following. It is denied that any one teacher is possessed of the key to knowledge to the exclusion of others. Therefore the Chinese should reverence CONFUCIUS so far as he has shown himself worthy of reverence, and follow him also where he evidently leads along the way of knowledge and virtue. But in doing so it is impossible to assume that he offers to the Chinese full stores of knowledge, either political or ethical. To assume that all other systems are false, or that they are inferior to Confucianism, is indeed to illustrate the old fable of the frog in the well. Therefore to shut ourselves up within the circumscribed circle of Confucianism and not to reach out to gather for ourselves what other systems and other teachers have to teach us, even amongst the philosophers whom China herself has produced, not to speak of objecting to going further afield and absorbing what has come to us from the West, is certainly not the way to remedy the evils from which China is to-day suffering. In a word, to follow CONFUCIUS as China has done in the past is to lead the Chinese yet further into the morass of superstition. It is to make more dangerous the unhappy position in which she stands. It is to stifle the great thoughts that are now seething in the brains of her best thinkers. Indeed this course is to destroy China." The rather terse summary which we have

given above shows that the writer of the article discussed is a bold man, and his attack cannot but be followed by definite results. It must not be overlooked that he stands for all that is really good in the old system, whilst disavowing all that has been superimposed by after ages, and for the most part by self-interested Emperors. We shall await the appearance of his next article with keen interest.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The French Mail of the 1st September was delivered in London on the 1st inst.

During the past five months the Canadian Customs have decreased to the extent of £1,600,000.

The half-yearly meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held to-morrow at 12.30 p.m. instead of 1.30 p.m. as previously advertised in our columns.

Mr. John Walter Spencer, chairman of Messrs. John Spencer and Sons, Limited, Newburn Steel Works, Newcastle-on-Tyne—works which were established by his grandfather nearly a century ago—has died suddenly at the age of 65.

Ho Chiung Wo and Co., obtained judgment against F. J. Berry, manager of the Imperial Brewery Co., for \$597.82 for goods sold and delivered, at the Supreme Court, to-day. Judgment was also given for T. F. A. Buss for \$363, who sued Messrs. Waltem and Co., some time ago.

Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co., inform us that owing to the wet weather experienced during the greater part of this week, their Special Bargain Sale in the Ladies' Department will be continued until Saturday, the 10th inst.; this will give ladies a chance to secure many excellent bargains in costumes, robes, blouses, hats, &c., as most of the goods have been marked down to absurdly low prices.

In Hongkong the Native Indian troops seem to stand the climate worse than British troops, and suffer from a cachectic condition that presents features, linking it on the one hand with pernicious anemia, and on the other hand with scurvy.

The Sanitary Officer considers that the origin of this dysentery is dietetic in its nature, and connected with a deficiency of fresh vegetables and fresh milk. The latter, owing to the fact that the Chinese themselves never drink it, looking on it as an excrement and not a secretion, is very expensive.

THE ORIENTAL HOTEL.

Anniversary Celebrations.

Those who have enjoyed the privilege of travel abroad have frequently remarked that the impression of greatest contrast between England and the Continent which is left in their minds lay in the provision of places of recreation and refreshment. All around them abroad they have seen countless opportunities for the profitable enjoyment and employment of the leisure hours spent outside the home.

Among the institutions which offer such opportunities none stand out more clearly in the memory than the bright cafes of France and the pleasant beer-gardens of Germany. All classes in both countries are accustomed to meet almost daily in small companies round a table and thus pass many very pleasant hours. But in Hongkong we have an even greater need of such innocent pleasure-houses than our French and German neighbours, and every effort is being put forward by Mrs. M. Matthey, proprietress of the Oriental Hotel, the first anniversary of the opening of this first class and up-to-date hotel is to be celebrated to-morrow, to enter in the best possible manner at a reasonable cost, for the comforts of her numerous patrons.

Anything that will draw the Englishman out of the shell of his reserve and give him a brighter view of life should be welcomed with acclamation. All this, and indeed, much more, is in the minds of those who, having tasted the joys of leisure sweetened by refreshment and good fellowship in the cafes and hotels on the Continent, and as far as possible an endeavour to give similar opportunities in Hongkong is being made by Mrs. Matthey, combined with the wide experience and great knowledge of such matters as the able manager, Mr. Charles Frerichs, is possessed of.

The outcome of their thought and labour in this respect is to be seen in the daily increasing popularity of the hotel and the fact that the public have shown, during the year this establishment has been under its present management, that they appreciate the efforts which have and are being made for their comfort and convenience, is sufficient guarantee for those who have not already done so, to patronize this hotel, and justly so, for with its pleasing appearance and reasonable tariff it can be called a veritable "home from home."

The demand for rooms having been so pressing for a long while, Mrs. Matthey has been obliged to seek greater accommodation. For the purpose of an annex the top floor of No. 9, Ice House Street has been taken where guests will have the same facilities and conveniences for enjoyment as at the hotel in Queen's Road Central.

The Oriental Hotel will be specially decorated to-morrow evening when, besides the special menu, the band of the 13th Regt. under Bandmaster T. C. Cole, who have, during the year, delighted numerous patrons on diverse occasions, will be in attendance, and it is certain that an evening out be pleasantly spent at this hotel.

AN INTERESTING RACE ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

Unless Jack the Winner.

(Specially written for "The China Mail.")

Sporting topics are in the air nowadays and therefore the following story concerning a recent race across the Pacific in which the British, American and Japanese flags were engaged, will prove of interest. It is a story of genuine and strenuous racing but is not necessary to claim that the contest takes rank with the Olympic Games; though it has quite an important status all its own.

The circumstances shaped themselves somewhat after the fashion of Atlantic Ocean races, which frequently take place between the Cunard, the White Star and the great German and other competing companies; and the prospective prize, there as here, consisted mainly in this, that the triumphant Atlantic Captain who carries his ship through "to victory," in the long run, invariably accomplishes big results for his company, by gradually increasing its share of the vast passenger and freight traffic.

In this way, success is translatable into, and is synonymous with, increased profits for owners while the honour, or distinction of victory in the race comes to the Captain of the victorious ocean liner. All which is perfectly good, wholesome, and legitimate, and naturally creates much interest, first among the passengers on the rival steamers, and subsequently in the very wide circles interested as well as in the public at large.

The fact that the present race was not primarily for pleasure, but distinctly for other purposes, does not in the slightest degree detract from the intense interest taken in it, by the contestants and their friends.

There was the same laudable and eager keenness, the same high tension, the same game desire to come out first in the struggle as is seen in all clean racing. On the 22nd of July last, three large and well equipped Pacific ocean liners were in the port of Yokohama, one was the Canadian Pacific Royal Mail Steamer Montezle, bound for Vancouver, one was the Pacific Mail Company's Steamer China, bound for San Francisco, and the third was the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Co.'s s.s. Tosa Maru, bound for Seattle. Japanese and foreign agents and silk syndicates of Japan put on board the R.M.S. Montezle, a consignment of upwards of a million dollars worth of silk, and they gave similar consignments to each of the other two steamers. It was therefore understood by the Captains and by their companies that it was a matter of great importance, to get the silk into New York with the utmost expedition. It was also clearly stated, and fully understood, by the Captains that the company which succeeded in getting the silk first into New York would be considered the victor. It should be mentioned that the tonnage of the Montezle is 6165, and that of the Tosa Maru, 5293, while the tonnage of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Steamer China is 10,300.

It was, roughly, about 4 p.m. on the 22nd July when all three ships left Harbour, and got to sea; and from that time on nothing was wanting in zeal and vigilance on the part of any of them to get the best possible result. To cut the story short, it is not claimed that the Canadian Pacific Company's s.s. Montezle is as fast a ship as either of her rivals, but by sheer hard work, sustained effort, clear grit and good seamanship, together with a fixed determination to win, Captain Davidson managed to get his ship into the port of Vancouver, on the 4th of August at five o'clock in the morning, that being the fourteenth day out from Yokohama; the mean steaming time being therefore thirteen days and sixteen hours. But what is of higher importance is that the Montezle got its million dollar consignment of silk into New York two days and twelve hours before the next consignment, which was from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Company's s.s. Tosa Maru. She arrived at Seattle on the 7th August, while the Pacific Mail Company's Steamer China arrived at San Francisco, on the 9th of August. Thus Commander Davidson won hands down in a fair and open field. It was an opportunity which may come any day to any officer so placed, but not every officer is equal to the task of promptly availing himself of his opportunity.

The race so won by the s.s. Montezle was on her last trip eastward from Hongkong and it is a fit and graceful sequel to the quiet return trip to Hongkong, (the Montezle is now in harbour), Captain Davidson should be presented with a complimentary address by all his passengers. In this address his officers are also included, thanked and complimented; and thus the courtesy, as well as the grit and practical efficiency—a notable combination of good qualities, of Captain Davidson are placed beyond any reasonable doubt. We reproduce the address is Captain Davidson and his officers:—

"We, the passengers, of the Canadian Pacific Royal Mail Steamer Montezle, desire to express our hearty appreciation of the invariable courtesy, kindness and good offices of Commander W. Davidson, R.N.R., and of the Chief Officer, and of all the ship's Officers, during the voyage from Vancouver to Hongkong, now terminated; they have, throughout the trip, taken much interest in our sports and pastimes, and have cheerfully given as much co-operation and assistance in carrying out the plans which we, from time to time, formed for our recreation and amusement. They have freely placed their leisure time at our disposal, and we feel grateful for their sympathetic interest which will always remain one of our pleasantest memories associated with this most enjoyable trip.

While thus placing on record a just and well merited appreciation in this salutary greeting, the time has now come for parting, and in a spirit of sincere cordiality, we wave them an adieu, although it is very doubtful whether many, if any, of us shall meet again; and we march out of this chapter of our ocean-going experiences, keeping time to the musical lines from "The Life Drama":—

"We all have met, like your brave ships at sea,
Who hold an hour's converse, so short, so sweet,
One little hour, and then away they speed,
On lonely paths, through mist, and cloud, and foam,
Perchance, to meet no more."
[Here follow the signatures.] L. E. M.

Hongkong, 1st October, 1908.

HE LATE MR. F. A. CORNELL.

As briefly reported in the China Mail last night, Mr. F. A. Cornell, who was superintending the electric installation for Messrs. Wilks and Jack, at the Godowns of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, Kowloon, met with a fatal accident. An one appears to have seen the accident; it is difficult to tell how Mr. Cornell came by his death, but it is surmised that he faintly when in the lift and fell forward as his terribly mangled body was found on the floor of the lift, which was stopped by a sudden jerk. It is understood that Mr. Cornell was engaged in work connected with the testing of the lift in Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's Kowloon Godown, when, by some means or other, he was crushed between the floor and the wall, as the lift was making an upward journey. Death must have been instantaneous. Deceased, who leaves a widow and two children, for whom much sympathy is felt, was a member of the Zealand Lodge of Freemasons. The funeral took place at Happy Valley, this evening, passing the Monument at 6 p.m.

FLOOD RELIEF FUND.

The committee of the combined Chinese Churches and Chinese Y. M. C. A. for the Flood Relief Fund, beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations:—Mr. W. G. Humphreys \$250, Messrs. Macdonald and Co. \$100, Mr. C. G. King, \$250, Mr. D. M. Humphreys \$100, Mr. V. F. V. Ribeiro, \$5, and donations from Chinese friends too numerous to mention, making a total of \$855.85. Of this amount there is still a balance in hand of over a thousand dollars which will be used for Flood relief purposes.

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GOVERNMENTAL CHANGES.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, October 1.

The Peking authorities have decided to abolish the Grand Council in 1910 and to appoint a Prime Minister who shall be head of the Cabinet (Nai-kho).

CHINA AND THE SILVER STANDARD.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, October 1.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance it was decided that China should retain her silver standard.

DISASTROUS FLOODS.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, October 1.

The river embankment burst in the Pao-hsien, near the capital of Chili, owing to the recent heavy rains and over 200 villages were flooded.

THE ENVOY TO AMERICA.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, October 1.

H. E. Tong Shao-yi, who is on his way to America, has arrived at Shanghai.

MOROCCO.

LONDON, September 30.

France and Spain are drafting a fresh note to Mulai Hafid in which the guarantees demanded of him are modified in accordance with the examination of the first note by the Powers.

TURKEY.

LONDON, September 30.

Advices from home report that a semi-official meeting between M. Jawlaky and Signor Titttoni at Desio shows that there is complete identity of views in Russo-Italian official circles regarding the new situation in Turkey.

SIR ROBERT HART.

LONDON, September 30.

It is stated that the report of Sir Robert Hart's recall to China is unfounded.

DE BEERS RE-OPENED.

LONDON, September 30.

The re-opening of the De Beers diamond mines is announced.

BULGARIA.

LONDON, September 30.

France has joined in the protest of the other Powers at Bulgaria's retention of the Oriental Railway.

CHOLERA IN MANILA.

We hear from an authentic source that the cholera epidemic is much worse in the Philippines than the newspaper reports show. In one small town alone people are said to be dying at the rate of 160 per day.

A LOST CAMERA.

Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning, in the action brought by W. L. Weaver against Long Hing and Co., for \$50, the value of a camera, found that the camera had been handed by defendants to someone who was not the rightful owner, and allowed \$45, as he thought \$55 was too much for a camera as old as the one which was lost.

AMOY NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TEKING, September 29.

In the Mou's Singles Open Tournament now on, Mr. Kenny met Mr. Hassan and won somewhat easily on Saturday last.

On Monday afternoon, the match between Mr. Roberts and Mr. Oursel resulted in a win for the former, by 2 sets to 1.

Messrs Wallace and Fletcher meet this afternoon, and a good fight will no doubt be put up.

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DEATH OF MR. C. G. R. BRODERSEN.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. C. G. R. Brodersen, of the firm of Messrs Siemens and Co., and a director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which occurred at Shanghai this morning. Particulars of his illness are not yet to hand.

OPIUM IN KWANTUNG.

Restrictions Removed.

We understand that the series of new and various regulations which the provincial authorities of Kwantung attempted to put into force on Friday last, and which were reported in our issue of that day, have now been removed. The regulations were such that the opium trade of the province could be virtually turned into a monopoly.

TYPHOON COLLAPSE INQUIRY.

The inquiry into the cause of death of six Chinese in a collapse at 36, Portland Street, Yumati, during the typhoon of 27-28 July, was continued at the Magistrate's today before Mr. J. H. Kemp and a jury. Mr. H. W. Dird was further examined by his Worship. He put in the various tenders for the houses in question, the highest being \$101,000. Further, he stated that he would have passed the walls had he been building the house for himself.

Mr. J. H. Selt stated the total cost of the sites and houses to the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. was \$82,757.

Hon. Mr. W. Clapham, Director of Public Works and Building Authority, spoke to inspecting the houses in question.

He found that a bar could be got down two feet 6 inches below the foundation, but no further. The bonding of the brickwork in the houses was inferior, the mortar was decidedly so, and the bonding of the cross walls into the flank wall was practically non-existent. The bad bonding, defective mortar and cracks would render these houses more liable to collapse in a typhoon.

The hearing was adjourned.

HONGKONG AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The first annual report of the committee.

of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association for the year ending September, 30th, presented to the annual general meeting states that the committee regret that they cannot present a full list of the members owing to the sudden departure of the late hon. treasurer in February and with him all the lists of membership and accounts and they take the opportunity of requesting any gentlemen who may have duly become members of the association and who have received no receipt for their subscriptions as soon as possible in order that their names may be placed on the list. The new order track has been completed on the ground of the Kowloon Cricket Club and formally declared open by H. E. the Governor in July last. The total cost of construction has been \$2,123.87. To meet the liability subscriptions to the amount of \$965 have already been raised and it is hoped that the remainder which has been generously advanced by the chairman may be subscribed before his departure in November. The Club Lusitano having decided to hold an open amateur 220 yards race at their meeting, it was duly started, timed and judged by officials of the Association. The Brock Challenge Cup presented by the chairman for the best aggregate in the monthly cross country runs was won by F. A. Bide. It is proposed to hold an athletic meeting in the autumn. The balance sheet shows a balance in hand of \$24.

The chairman said the treasurer has been promised more money in regard to the cinder track and they hoped to include the regiments. The runners had promised \$50, the cricketers \$100. (Laughter.) As for the races there was a difficulty about a date, and they would be glad to hear suggestions. The trouble was as to Saturday, because the season was filled with league cricket matches.

Discussion took place with regard to this latter point and the proposed programme, with slight alterations, was agreed to.

Dr. Forsyth was unanimously elected chairman on the proposition of Dr. Kew, seconded by Mr. T. Chiu.

The officials elected were:—H. L. O. Carrett, hon. secretary; A. R. Sutherland, hon. treasurer; committee:—F. Lammeret, J. H. Mead, F. H. Kow, and P. Linton.

COMPANY PROMOTING IN THE INTERIOR.

In the Tsungin District at the north east of Canton, the so-called Board of Self-Government has started a manufacturing company.

It appears that the Official of the Hsien is in sympathy with the new move, for he has advanced the 1,000 to assist the movement.

The Company will need a capital of \$7,000 in addition, and this has been taken up in one thousand four hundred shares at \$5 per share. It will be seen, therefore, that the Chinese are beginning to copy the West in raising joint stock capital. It is a move forward and will tend further to inspire confidence in commercial undertakings, for where there is mutual reliance there will be mutual oversight, and therefore less probability of responsible persons yielding to the unfortunate habit of spending what ought not to be spent in a way that has not been sanctioned by lawful authority.

Hongkong has released Amoy from quarantine.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

Before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Magistrate's, on Thursday afternoon, the hearing of the charge against H. S. Holmes, who is alleged to have obtained \$3,000 from a Chinese compradore by false pretences was continued.

The defendant, who was cross-examined by Mr. C. F. Dixon, said the pass book produced was the only banking account he had had since March 14th. He paid most of the \$3,000 received from Sit Leung Kit into his banking account. Sit Leung Kit paid him all but \$90, and for this amount he gave an L.O.U. Therefore secured gave him a receipt for the whole amount.

Who was Mr. Greenwall?—A gentleman staying at the Connaught Hotel.

What was his business?—He did any kind of business.

Did you give him \$40 in consideration of his giving you a cheque for \$1,000 which was returned to him?—No.

What was it for?—Private business.

What was the nature of that business?—He was helping me in the office.

When he gave you the cheque you did not intend to put it in circulation?—No.

You told him so?—Yes.

What did you do with the \$1,894 you withdrew from the bank?—Put it into contracts.

Did you consider you were entitled to use Mr. A. H. H. money for your own private business?—Yes, I considered the money a loan.

Did you consider this prospective contract with the Kowloon railway was in connection with the business you carried on at No. 33?—It was my own business, and nothing to do with the compradore unless he put up security.

Who paid Messrs Almada and Smith for the compradore agreement?—Up to the present it has not been paid.

Do they look to you for payment?—The compradore and I pay half each.

Can you understand Chinese?—I know a few words.

Mr. Dixon—I know a few words, and have been here only a few years.

Re-examined by Mr. H. K. Holmes, brother of defendant: Where are the papers in connection with the sum of \$5,000 referred to?—With the British Consul in Canton.

Sit Leung Kit is claiming for \$5,000?—Yes.

That is for money that is not yet due?—That's so.

According to the agreement, that \$5,000 was placed at your disposal?—Yes.

You have dealt with that money just as if it belonged to you?—Yes.

Something has been said about a motor launch being sold for \$85?—Yes. It was a launch 35 feet long, decked fore and aft, and contained 15 horse power, four cycle, two cylinder engines. The whole was valued at \$2,000. I arranged with the solicitors selling the boat to postpone the sale. The sale was withdrawn, but the boat was sold a few days later without being advertised in the local papers.

His Worship—A cheque of yours put in was stated to be dishonoured; can you explain that?—Yes. I gave Sit Leung Kit \$100 which I got from my brother, and asked him not to cash the cheque.

When you handed him the cheque it was good?—No, but I expected to put the money in the bank.

How much did you intend to pay Sit Leung Kit?—\$50.

Did he give you the other \$50 back?—No, he asked me to let it stand as the next month's interest.

After paying him the money did you again ask him for the cheque, and for a receipt?—He said he did not understand English, but would let me have them later.

Why did you start a second business?—Because these men came and asked me to start another office.

Have you any partners in the Eastern Commercial Co.?—No.

What's the capital?—I have a few thousand dollars of my own, and there was the compradore's security.

You lent Yeung \$1,000; what security have you?—I was told his people had money and he has a share in the company.

That is the only security you have?—Yes.

Complainant, recalled, said he received one instalment of the \$3,000 he paid to defendant from Yeung Chik San. He received the money in the form of a cheque, but could not say what was on it as he was unable to read English. If he had known it was a false cheque he would not have paid over the \$2,000 to Mr. Holmes.

His Worship reserved his decision.

The Buils, due here on November 20th, are commanded by Lieut. Col. R. Bayard, D.S.O., with Major G. C. Cobbe second in command.

RHEUMATISM.

SOME little confidence has the average man in the various cures for rheumatism that he often suffers for years without making any effort to find relief. He then finds that it has become chronic. This is a mistake, as the pain can always be relieved, and in most cases a cure effected by applying Chamberlain's Pain-Expeller. The relief from pain which it affords is alone worth any money its cost. It makes sleep and rest possible. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

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RAMBLING NOTES.

The Hongkong St. Andrew's Society have decided to celebrate St. Andrew's Day with the usual ball. That's good news for our social world to look forward to. I don't mean the morning after; it's the night I'm thinking of. With a new chief, a new—but old in experience—secretary, and new blood on the general committee, there is every prospect of the 1908 ball being a huge success. Get your hiltys looked out all those who have them; those who are less fortunate try my tip and borrow. It seems an easy thing to do out East. I had a hiltie once, but am afraid it is over the age for lending purposes.

The new secretary is out after new members, so roll up all ye Scots who are laden with dollars. Scotchmen here are generally supposed to have a few on edge.

We are going to have two weekly papers soon. One is to be printed in Portuguese and the other in English or American. We have had treaties before and also a reminder.

Mr. Denman Fuller, has promised us another organ recital at St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday, the 6th October, the soloist on this occasion being Mrs. Dealy.

The members of the Kowloon Bowling Green club are to be at home to their friends—and they have many—on Saturday, the 3rd October, when a bowling match, president versus vice-president, will be played. As an extra attraction the band of the 13th Rajputa has been engaged for the afternoon. The Kowloon bowlers have always had a reputation for hospitality, while their "refreshers" have a peculiarity of their own.

I notice Mr. Li Sum Ling, the editor of the Chinese Mail is now in London. Europe may now breathe freely. There is no London edition of the New York Herald!

Our Volunteers are due in camp this month. I hope they will be fortunate in getting good weather for they deserve it, even if it is a holiday campaign. Visitors, as usual, will be welcome on most nights, but don't forget to take a few dubs with you, for if there's to be much behind the guns it is also necessary to have assistants behind the engine counter. The password will be "yes of old—buddy!"

I was asked the price of cats the other day. Just fancy asking me such a question. I should say you'd be questioning the Sanitary Board. As an after thought, I remarked I knew of a gentleman who had bought two cats for 25 cents each, and that he was willing to sell them for 50 cents each! What was he? Never mind what he was.

The Hongkong Golf Club is undergoing repairs—making room for the ladies, and notifying the fifty per cent that they have no further use for them. A good tip for which I charge nothing; for some of our European stores, who deal in golf requisites, would be to advertise a cheap sale in that line for ladies only.

As an afterthought, however, I am afraid it is getting too near the Scotch ball for ladies to attend a cheap sale of golf clubs.

The rowing members of the Victoria Recreation Club have made a commencement towards training. I hear the regatta will be held in December. Please reserve space for the ladies.

To young unmarried ladies a philosophic medical student gives this advice:—Never wear tight corsets; if you must be squeezed, let some fellow do it. I would add, it is much cheaper and far nicer both ways.

Musical—I once secret music on a Sunday night—has certain charms when sung by a church choir, but otherwise, as I have experienced, it is apt to give one that tired feeling peculiar to Hongkong.

The practice dances in connection with the Scotch ball are being looked forward to. Those who cannot dance can take along a third with them as a companion. As an excuse for not dancing leave your dancing shoes at home. To-morrow will be Saturday, so I am compelled to leave off for this week.

RAMBLER.

Judgment was given for the hon. Colonial Treasurer, who sued Tsung Ming, a contractor, at the Supreme Court, this morning, for the following amounts, being unpaid rates:—\$790.70, \$1,491.14, \$168.34 and \$234.18 making a total of \$2,711.34.

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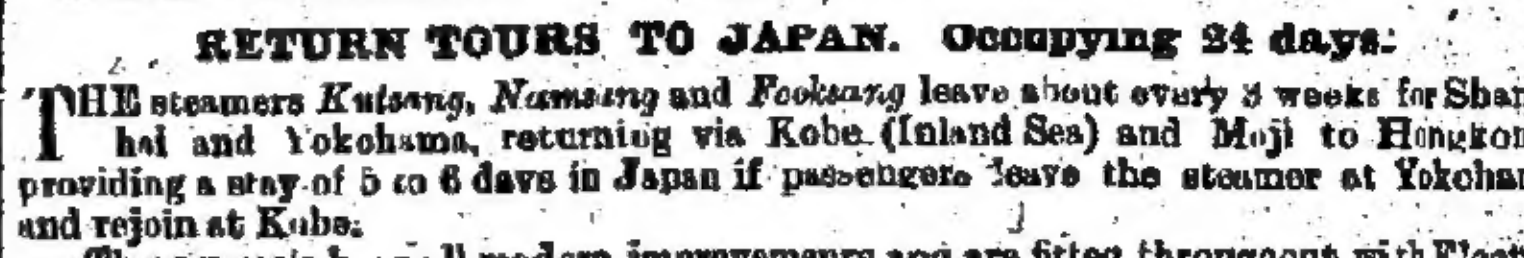
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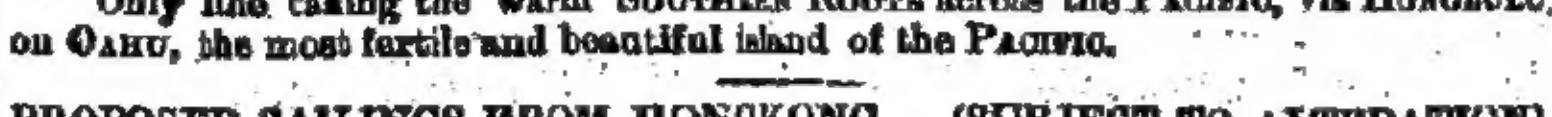
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CELANA 3000	Nov. 28	MOLDAVIA 7000	Dec. 26	1909 Jan. 2
DEVANHA 3000	Dec. 12	HIMALAYA 7000	1909 Jan. 9	Jan. 16
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Both the turnover and the prices have been fairly satisfactory; and although the price of labour has declined somewhat, on account of numbers of men offering themselves, the number of hands employed is larger than last year.

The sale within this country has increased, the reason for which must be looked for in comprehensive improvements in plant and methods within different industries which have required an increase of electric power; and the same applies to certain branches connected with agriculture.

It is more especially the manufacture of dynamos and electric motors which has shown an increase during the present year; and although home orders have somewhat decreased, on account of reduction of output in several branches, more orders have been received during the present than during the previous year from Italy, Austria-Hungary, Great Britain, Belgium, and Spain.

In transactions with abroad higher prices were also obtained in some cases. The sale of cables increased both at home and for export.

During the first half of 1908 the exports of cables amounted to 1719 tons more than during the same period last year. The sale to Great Britain and Argentina decreased, but the sale to Chili rose from 37 tons during the first six months of 1907 to 1800 tons during the same period of the present year.

The exports were also larger to Sweden, Denmark, and Belgium. Owing to the decline in the building industry, the sale of electric fittings for domestic lighting decreased in Germany, but at the same time the export increased, as did, in some cases, the price.

From the telephone and telegraph factories there were some complaints, whilst, on the other hand, some factories have had to work overtime. The automobile industry continues depressed, and the sale of electric motors for this branch has suffered. That prices have been kept at a fairly remunerative level is owing to the arrangements existing between the leading firms within the electric industry as regards the sending in of tenders, &c.—Engineering.

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